



MEANDERING ALONG MAIN STREET

A NUMBER of Maconians braved the raw of Friday night to journey to Asheville for the Andrews-Southern Pines football championship game.

WITH ALL the parking room available, someone blocked the alley beside the bank for a half hour or so Monday morning.

OH THAT Indian Mound, what a disgrace for it to be in such horrible shape!

KEEP YOUR fingers crossed for our pride-and-joy community, Patton, and hope it places in the money in the W. N. C. rural community development contest.

AT THE present rate of construction, there should be a filling station for every car in Franklin by the middle of the summer.

IT'LL BE interesting to learn before long if the parking meter revenues in Franklin rise or fall as a result of the new parking areas behind the business district.

HAL ROGERS, WFSC's program director, has resigned to return to college. Hal left over the week end for the University of Kentucky.

AT LAST, it seems Winter has decided to arrive. That in-between stuff we've had the past few weeks, in addition to blunting the deer season, wasn't too well received.

SYLVA MANAGES to wash its streets down at pretty regular intervals. Why can't Franklin?

FRANKLIN merchants are urged to start thinking about some Yuletide promotions QUICK! Some of the neighboring towns are stealing all the thunder and the lightning will be striking in their cash registers as a result of their progressive thinking.

THERE'S TALK that the Bank of Franklin wants to extend its space to include the alley immediately behind the building. This would give Bowler's more kicking room too.

FELLOW WORKING on the East Franklin sidewalk says dogs are giving them more trouble in the wet cement than kids.

SOME YOUNG Girl Scouts, who accidentally set a small forest fire a while back, lost a lot of sleep wondering if their names were going to be put in the newspaper.

SOME CRITICISM has been voiced over the luncheons held by the United Fund volunteer workers. Be it here recorded that the volunteers paid for their own lunches and the money did not come from United Fund.

THERE ARE maybe a half dozen motorists in town who collect maybe a half dozen parking tickets each week. Looks like they'd shy away from the meters and head for the free parking lots.

THE USUAL court devotees have been on hand in and in front of the courthouse since Monday's opening. Guess sitting and listening to cases beats TV all to heck.

EWART BALL, Citizen-times photographer, and Bob Terrell, C-T sports editor, were ambled through here Tuesday. They'd been to Andrews to cover a victory shindig for the Bulldogs.

MACON COUNTY continues to receive wonderful publicity all over the country as a result of the ruby mines promotions. A Californian commented on hearing about it not long ago on the west coast.

SIGN MAKER Walter Hall has an injured finger. It has slowed up his work some, but hasn't hindered his coffee drinking.

THOSE THREE new street lights out US 64 east are a welcome extension of the town's "white way" and an addition long overdue.

THE TOWN is beginning to get that Christmas glow. Folks are shopping early and most of the stores have started gift wrapping items that'll go under the tree on the 25th.

WHY DOESN'T some organization take on the planting of maple trees in town as a project? Certainly would enhance our town in the tourist season. Also, there's a need for some benches along Main Street for folks to "sit a spell".

WANT TEEN CENTER OUT - Aldermen Accept Low Bid For New Town Police Car

A new police car, vacating the town hall by the Franklin Teen Center, and vacation and sick leave for town employees were items of business taken up by the Franklin Board of Aldermen in regular session Monday night.

Bids for a new police car were received from two firms, Conley Motor Company, of Franklin, and Kirk-Davis Chevrolet, of Sylva. A low bid of \$1,575 from Conley was accepted by the board. The Sylva firm's bid was \$1,999.41.

DEFEAT RABUN GAP - Franklin Lads And Lassies Victorious In '58 Opener

In their opening game of the 1958 season here Tuesday night, the Franklin lads and lassies emerged victorious over Rabun Gap.

Paced by Mary Lou Cabe and Dorothy Stockton, who bucketed 17 points each to tie for scoring honors, the girls won 42 to 26 in the first game.

Franklin's boys, led by Harold Elliott's 23 points, polished off their Georgia opposition 62 to 39.

The Panthers journey to Andrews for games tomorrow (Friday) night and will be host to Murphy next Tuesday night. Both are non-conference games.

Patton Will Know Answer Saturday

Saturday is "the day" for Macon County's top rural community, Patton.

For Saturday, in Asheville, the winners of the 1958 W.N.C. Rural Community Development Contest will be revealed as the highlight of the annual awards luncheon at City Auditorium.

A large delegation from here plans to attend.

Along with the best communities in the other western counties, Patton is shooting for \$2,000 in prize money and the honor that goes with being among the winners.

Judges of the area contest visited Patton last month.

Rural Group '59 Election Set Tonight

An election of new officers and planning for 1959 will be the top items of business to be conducted tonight (Thursday) at a meeting of the Macon County Rural Community Development Council.

Set for 7:30 at the Agricultural Building, the meeting will be attended by officers of the organized communities. These officers make up the council.

Bill Ruby, of Cowee community, served as president during the 1958 rural development program.

The council oversees the conduct of the rural development contests.

Maddox Heads Church Group

Julian Maddox, of Cartoogechay community and a member of the Franklin Presbyterian Church, has been elected chairman of the western district of the Men of the Church of the Asheville Presbytery.

SET DECEMBER 22 - Garden Club Gives Plans For Annual Yule Contest

Plans for its annual Christmas lighting contest have been announced by the Franklin Garden Club.

The event is set for the night of December 22 and all homes, public buildings, and commercial buildings within a radius of one mile of the town limits will be included in the judging.

Mrs. G. A. Jones is chairman of the contest committee. Serving with her are Mrs. Steve Bundy and Mrs. R. L. McGlamery. A first prize of \$5 is being offered

in three to four weeks. Aldermen approved asking the Franklin Teen Center to vacate the basement of the town hall by February 1. The space is needed for the Civil Defense organization, the volunteer fire department, and other town uses, it was explained.

Also approved by the board was a week's paid vacation annually for all full-time town employees and a week's sick leave. Vacations must be taken each year. However, sick leave will be allowed to accrue for two years.

Several other minor actions were taken by the aldermen, including some complaints, which were turned over to committees for investigation.

Statistics Girls

Rabun Gap (26) F—Pruitt 4, Kellogg 6, Singleton 2, G—Cope, Jones, Howard, Stancil 14, Norton, Brown.

Franklin (42) F—Leatherman 8, M. Cabe 17, Stockton 17, G—Cole, J. Cabe, Setser, Carpenter, Fox, Sheffield, Bowman.

Halftime: 20-8, Franklin.

Boys

Rabun Gap (39) Green 13, Thurman 11, Bolding 4, Garrett 6, Lamb 1, Melvin 4, Teasley.

Franklin (62)—Pearson 13, Ledford 5, Corbin 4, Brooks 11, Elliott 23, Baird, Henry 2, Duvall 4, Roten, Richardson.

Halftime: 34-17, Franklin.

Furniture Store Is Going Out Of Business

Bryant Furniture Company, established in Franklin some 35 years ago by the late O.C. Bryant, is going out of business.

Mrs. Hermie B. Dryman, one of the owners, said they will devote their full time to the operation of Bryant Funeral Home, which has been moved from the furniture building on the square to 39 West Main Street on the corner of Harrison Avenue.

An auction sale is slated this week to dispose of the furniture stock on hand.

New Star Route Is Established

A new star route to Sylva has been established, according to Franklin Postmaster Zeb Meadows.

Under the star route schedule mail will arrive and leave twice daily. One will arrive in Franklin at 8:15 a.m. and leave at 3:15 p.m.; another will arrive at 4:45 p.m. and leave at 6 p.m.

Soil Election Is Under Way Here This Week

An election is under way in the county this week to pick a supervisor for the three-man Macon County Soil Conservation Committee.

Running for the post are George Moses, of Route 5, and W. C. Taylor, of Route 4.

Voting started Monday and will end Saturday.

The winner will serve a three-year term of office, succeeding Edwin T. Bradley, of Route 3, whose term expires January 1.

Others on the committee are Milton Fouts, chairman, and Bryant McClure.

Ballot boxes are located at points all over the county.

PRESS CAMERA VISITS Thanksgiving Turkey Shoot

(The Macon County Search and Rescue Squad sponsored the shoot across from the airport, with more than 100 competing for birds.)



Prone rifleman eyes his target and hopes for a turkey.



John Cunningham waits while rescue squad members check his target.



Dale Tysinger, two-and-a-half-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Tysinger, checks his six gun (left) then fires one off.



The male and the female side discuss turkey shoots (left), and Jim Conley (right) holds the prize for the best shot.

FARTHING PRESIDING - Court Term Opens Monday; Is Proceeding On Schedule

Macon's December term of Superior Court was moving along on schedule yesterday (Wednesday) with Judge J. C. Farthing, of Lenoir, presiding.

A full two weeks of court is anticipated in the light of heavy criminal and civil dockets.

Most of this week is being devoted to criminal actions. Judge Farthing will hear civil actions next week.

The term opened Monday.

Judge Gives Oaths Of Office Macon Officials

Judge J. C. Farthing administered oaths of office Monday morning to county officers elected in the November 4 general election.

Taking their oaths were Macon Rep. James M. Ruby; Mrs. Kate M. Wrinn, clerk of court; Lake V. Shope, register of deeds; J. Harry Thomas, sheriff; John Kusterer, coroner; W. E. Baldwin, chairman of county commissioners; Wiley Brown and John Roane, commissioners; and Dick Slagle, surveyor.

3 Sentenced For Liquor Violations

Three Macon County men were sentenced in federal court in Bryson City last week for violations of federal liquor laws.

J. R. Bell, 51, received three years in prison; Robert Bell, 47, got a two-year suspended sentence for three years on payment of \$1,500 fine; and Sam I. Cunningham, 49, was sentenced to 40 months in prison.

Judge Wilson Warlick, of Newton, was the presiding judge.

A. C. P. Fund Exhausted

Macon County's \$54,442 allotment for the 1958 Agricultural Conservation Program is exhausted.

A total of 1,284 farmers participated in the program, according to Miss Mildred Corbin, office manager of A.S.C., which administers the program.

The primary purpose of the A.C.P. is to share the cost of establishing conservation practices on the farm. A.C.P. pays about one-half the cost of the eight practices in the program.

Dime Board Will Start 20th Year

The "Christmas Cheer Dime Board", sponsored by the Franklin Lions Club, will go into operation Saturday for the 20th consecutive year.

Money raised is used to purchase Christmas baskets for the needy.

Lions will man the board every Saturday from now until Christmas.

Burley Growers Are Getting Top Prices

Macon burley growers selling through the Asheville and Knoxville markets are reported to be receiving top prices for their weed.

In Asheville, the burley is bringing record-breaking prices, some at better than \$68 per hundred.

The A.S.C. office reports that 155 burley growers here harvested 42 acres. More than half the growers sell through the Asheville market and the rest truck their tobacco to Knoxville.

25 Church Men Here For Training Session

Last (Wednesday) night, about 25 men of the western district of the Asheville Presbytery attended a training session for officers at the Franklin Presbyterian Church.

Dr. I. I. Ellis, of Knoxville, Tenn., was the speaker. He is chairman of men's work in the Appalachian Synod.

Holland McSwain, of Murphy, formerly of Franklin, was in charge of the session. He is the out-going president of the Men of the Church of the Asheville Presbytery.

United Fund Tops Quota

United Fund went over the top of its \$10,115 goal Monday afternoon "by \$25 or \$30 right now . . . more still to come in," according to the Rev. Donn K. Langfitt, chairman.

In making the announcement, Mr. Langfitt also disclosed that he has submitted his resignation to the United Fund board of directors.

He said he was resigning because "I feel someone else, other than the one who headed the fund raising, should administer United Fund during the year." He added that under the U. F. program this is supposed to be a divided authority.

An election to pick Mr. Langfitt's successor is anticipated soon, possibly at a final report luncheon some time next week.

Musical Program Features Legion Auxiliary Meeting

A musical program featured the December 1 meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary at the home of Mrs. Gilmer A. Jones.

Mrs. Catherine Neal played two piano sections; Mrs. Gilmer Jones and Mrs. Weimar Jones played a duet; and the group listened to Fred Waring Christmas selections.

Hostesses were Mrs. Peggy Bradley, Mrs. John Wasilik, and Mrs. Bill Horsley.

Food for the family the auxiliary is helping at Christmas was donated by the members.

Judge Patton Slated To Speak At Meeting Of Delta Kappa Gamma

Judge George B. Patton, of Franklin, will be guest speaker at the Delta Kappa Gamma meeting in Waynesville Saturday.

He will be introduced by Mrs. H. Bueck, of Franklin.

Others attending from here will be Mrs. Patton, Mrs. Ike Olson, Mrs. Praelo Dryman, Mrs. Elizabeth Guffey, and Miss Nora Muddy.

P. N. Moses Dies From Gun Wound

Peter N. Moses, who had been in a critical condition since November 19 when he accidentally shot himself with a shotgun when climbing through a fence near his home at Cullasaja, died at Angel Hospital the 27th at 7 a.m.

Sixty years old, Mr. Moses was a farmer and Macon County native and a member of the Ellijay Baptist Church. Born Aug. 25, 1898, he was the son of Pierce and Mrs. Charlotte Ower Moses.

Funeral services were held the 28th at the Sugarfork Baptist Church by the Rev. Lee Crawford and the Rev. William Sorrells. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, the former Miss Martha Taylor; two

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The Weather

Table with weather forecasts for Franklin and Coweta counties, including high, low, and rain predictions for various days.